

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the Abstract, at line 1, please replace "said" with --such-- as reflected in the following marked-up version of the Abstract:

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Solid propellants for gas generators, wherein ~~said~~ such propellants are mainly intended for use in propelling charges for gas generators used in airbags or seat-belt pre-tensioning devices on the basis of nitrogen-rich fuels having a low carbon content. The solid propellants also include an oxidizing agent as well as an essentially chemically-inert slag trap used to trap airborne particulates and molten slags generated during ignition of the solid propellants. The slag traps are characterized as having a high fusion point and a high specific surface area such that they are well suited for trapping molten slag and other particulates during ignition of the solid propellants. The slag traps typically comprise aluminum oxide, titanium oxide or zirconium oxide and are manufactured by a gas phase reaction (*e.g.*, flame hydrolysis) so as to be "highly dispersed" but with no pores and with no formation of defined agglomerates as is usually the case in the preparation of aluminum oxide, titanium oxide or zirconium oxide by a wet process.
